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RAILROAD LEGISLATION IN HARD WAY

Insurgents Combine With the Democrats to Adopt Amendments

UNIQUE RUN ON BANK FOR NO KNOWN REASON

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 2.—One of the most unique runs in the history of finance was started on the Los Angeles All Night and Day bank at 8 o'clock this morning and at midnight there were still several hundred waiting. President Newton Skinner issued a statement tonight saying every depositor would receive dollar for dollar and that the institution was solvent. The president attributes the run to a published announcement to the effect that the bank had been refused admission to the Los Angeles clearing house association. Because of its methods of doing business the bank could not close at any time of the day and for this reason it became liable to the constant line of those who desired to withdraw their money. Up to 11 o'clock tonight Skinner estimated that \$125,000 had been withdrawn, while \$75,000 remained deposited.

So Serious Was Situation that President Was Informed of Circumstance While at Pittsburg.

REFEREE FOR BIG FIGHT WILL BE SELECTED

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—Sam Berger, manager for Jeffries, and George Little, representing Johnson, will meet tomorrow with Rickard and Gleason, the promoters of the heavyweight championship fight on July 4th, to confer upon the selection of a referee for the contest. If impossible to agree upon a choice tomorrow, the managers will meet again on Wednesday, which is the last day given them to name the third man in the ring. It is believed the choice will be between Eddie Smith of Oakland and Jack Welch and Eddie Graney of this city.

Responsibility of Failure of Taft's Measure Will be Placed on Shoulders of the Insurgent Forces.

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, May 2.—President Taft's railroad legislation will be emasculated. At the close of a protracted conference the leading "regulars" and republican senators tonight are in an apparent revolt in the senate, while the "insurgents" have been virtually successful and sections of the bill relative to traffic agreements and mergers, which Cummins and other insurgents have been fighting for amending, will be amended. Practically nothing distinctive of the original bill will remain, save sections providing for the creation of a court of commerce. Even that had a perilous time in the house, and nobody tonight has prepared a guarantee that it will be enacted. In fact, the differences between the senate and the house are so great that it would surprise nobody if the entire bill should fail at the conference. So serious became the situation of the bill late today that President Taft himself at Pittsburg was advised of the situation over the telephone by Aldrich.

JOHNSON GROWS REAL REMINISCENT ON OCEAN BEACH

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—"What were the wild waves saying, Jack," asked one of Champion Jack Johnson's trainers as the black fighter came into his new quarters from a long morning walk on Ocean Beach. "They reminded me," said the fighter, in his best oratorical manner, "of the thunders of Emeryville that will sweep over Emeryville on July 4th, when I land that restful blow on Jeffries." Johnson so far has shunned the gymnasium as far as putting in any work. He declared today he would not do any real training before the end of the week.

GOMPERS SAYS FARMERS SHOULD BE UNIONIZED

By Associated Press.
ST. LOUIS, May 2.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, made a strong plea for union of farmers and organized labor for better industrial conditions in an address before the joint convention of farmers' unions tonight. He denied he came here to organize a new political party, and declared: "When the organized industrial workers and the organized farmers will stand shoulder to shoulder, fighting for equality and justice, then will come the new dispensation and a new order of things. The unrest throughout the country is not a protest against poverty and misery," he said, "but is a protest from intelligent and progressive men and women. That there is poverty and misery is undeniable. Idle men and busy children are a sufficient indictment for our present day conditions."

JOHN CONSIDINE APPOINTED AS STATE TAX COLLECTOR

Governor Dickerson Made Appointment Yesterday to Fill Vacancy Caused by Haley Resigning.

Special to the Bonanza.
CARSON CITY, May 2.—John L. Considine, the Reno newspaperman, and one of the stalwarts of the democratic party, and formerly chairman of the state central committee, was today appointed to the position of state bullion and tax

collector, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James F. Haley. Haley resigned in order to devote his attention to newspaper work and at the present time is engaged in conducting the Ely Exposition. He tendered his resignation on the date he issued his last quarterly report.

Despairing of putting the bill through the senate as reported from the committee, the interstate commerce leaders at this conference tonight decided to eliminate section 7, which the insurgents claim practically would have repealed the Sherman anti-trust law by permitting traffic agreements, and section 12, which would have legalized mergers in cases where a railroad corporation owning already fifty per cent of another, desired the control outright. Upon the insurgents the administration will endeavor to place the responsibility of the Taft railroad legislation. Taft is said to have expressed himself emphatically to this effect to Aldrich over the telephone. He said he had initiated the pending measure and had advocated it throughout the country in the form in which it was reported in the senate, and if the combination of insurgent republicans and democrats rendered it impossible for a republican majority to enact the bill, he felt the administration should be relieved of the responsibility of the defeat. Although they have been admittedly stopped from passing the bill in any form they wished, the administration senators have begun a formulation of plans to take away from the insurgent republicans the claim of a clean cut victory. They even wore the air of jubilation tonight over the prospects of putting the "insurgents" to rout on the pending Cummins amendment to the traffic agreement section which will be the first matter voted upon when the bill is again taken up, which perhaps will be tomorrow. Throughout today efforts will be made to effect an agreement between those who favored the Cummins amendment, and those who supported the Elkins-Crawford provision. The first would require all traffic agreements and changes in rates to be approved by the interstate commerce commission before taking effect. The latter would make all traffic agreements lawful under the Sherman law but would not require that rates made by railroads should be submitted to the commission in advance.

KNOX'S ATTITUDE VIGOROUSLY DEFENDED BY THE PRESIDENT

Says Action of the Secretary of State Was Perfectly Right in Nicaraguan Affair.

By Associated Press.
PITTSBURG, May 2.—President Taft ended his two days' stay at Pittsburg with a speech at a grand day dinner at the American club tonight in which he dealt almost wholly with the foreign affairs of the nation. The President paid a striking tribute to Secretary of State Knox, who was present. He vigorously defended and justified the secretary's Nicaraguan policy and flayed those who invented the phrase, "Dollar diplomacy." The

president boarded a special car tonight and will leave for Cincinnati early in the morning. Count von Bernstorff is with the presidential party. During the day the president made a brief address to the students of the Pennsylvania State college for women and later made an address at the Founders' Day exercises of the Carnegie Institute. After luncheon at the University club Taft went to the ball game and saw Pittsburg win from Chicago, 5 to 2.

FAKE POOL ROOM OPERATOR GETS ONE YEAR IN JAIL

By Associated Press.
SAN RAFAEL, Cal., May 2.—Without giving any hint as to his intention before court convened today Frank McSherry, one of the ten men indicted for grand larceny, through the operation of a fake poolroom, at Sausalito, changed his plea from guilty to not guilty. He immediately was sentenced to one year, in San Quentin penitentiary and will be taken to the prison tomorrow. McSherry is one of the men indicted with Joseph Abbott, whose statements before the grand jury led to the indictment of Harry P. Flannery, president of the police commission of San Francisco. Flannery's arraignment has been set for tomorrow.

DATE SET BY LAWYER FOR BRIBERY TRIALS

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—Superior Judge Lawler today denied a motion to dismiss the fifteen indictments charging Eugene de Saba, John Martin, and S. G. Drumm, officials of the San Francisco Gas and Electric company with bribery of the Ruef-Schmitz board of supervisors. The motion was made by counsel for the defense and occurred in by District Attorney Fickert. The trial of the defendants will be set for July 21.

GOVERNMENT WILL SOON KNOW RESULT OF 'RECLAMATION WORK

Farmers and Settlers Will Soon be Required to Make Payments on Various Projects

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, May 2.—The acid test of the practicability of all the government work is at hand. On April 1st there was due and payable into the reclamation fund from the settlers on the various projects, approximately \$1,000,000 for water rights. If the farmers were able to meet their payments it evidences that the government is able to secure a return on its investment. If the payments are not made, the law is a failure in one of its most important provisions and the operations of the reclamation service would quickly be brought to an end. But a careful canvass of the projects on which water rights charges are due indicates that the settlers as a rule are able and willing to meet them.

protect his rights, but where the evidence is that the settler has made no effort to protect himself, he need expect no aid from the government. The farmers who came to farm, however, are making good. The crops produced on the irrigated lands operated by the water systems of the government in 1909, had an estimated value of \$14,000,000 and the land values increased not less than \$105,000,000 as the result of the construction of the federal irrigation works. The reclamation fund has had more than \$60,000,000, under the act and more than \$4,500,000 are still in the treasury of the United States but not available. The greatest question has been, will the money come back? Indications are that it will.

CHURCHES ARE HOSTILE AGAINST THE BIG FIGHT

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—The San Francisco church federation today decided to lend support to the Oakland church federation in the campaign against the Jeffries-Johnson fight. It was announced as soon as the matter was in the proper shape, it would be laid before Attorney General Webb and Governor Gillett, with an appeal that official action be taken to prevent the contest. The Presbyterian Ministers Union has also expressed a disapproval of prize fights. SANTA CRUZ, Cal., May 2.—Resolutions denouncing prize fighting and calling upon the officials to put a stop to them in California, was adopted today at a special meeting of the Ministerial Union. Special mention was made of the Jeffries-Johnson fight to be held at Emeryville on July 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

At Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 5; Chicago, 2.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 9; St. Louis, 4.
At Brooklyn—New York, 6; Brooklyn, 0.
At Boston—Philadelphia, 9; Boston, 8.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 7; Boston, 6.
At Chicago—Detroit Chicago game postponed, rain.
At New York—New York, 3; Washington, 2. Ten innings.
At St. Louis—Cleveland, 2; St. Louis, 1. Eleven innings.

No prizes given away—but we print all the news, both local and foreign. Daily Bonanza and S. F. Bulletin, \$1.25 per month.

OLD GLORY FLOATS ABOVE THE KING'S PALACE

By Associated Press.
COPENHAGEN, May 2.—The stars and stripes floated above the royal palace today for the first time in the history of Denmark when Roosevelt, in the absence of King Frederick, who is in southern France, was the guest of Crown Prince Christian, one of the palaces being placed at the disposal of the Roosevelt family.

On the big North Platte project in Wyoming and Nebraska, there were 335 farms with charges due on April 1st. It is reported that 22 of them paid up as early as last December and of the remaining 108 the engineers in the field estimate that not more than ten will be likely to be cancelled. Most of these could relinquish at this time at a profit.

Even on the Truckee-Carson project in Nevada, where conditions have been as unfavorable as any could be, the reports show few delinquencies. On the Okanogan and Sunnyside projects in Washington,

BURKE SAYS HE IS INNOCENT OF THE CHARGE

By Associated Press.
SANTA ROSA, Cal., May 2.—Judge Seawell today denied the motion of the defense to quash the indictment in the case of Dr. Willard Burke, charging him with alleged illegal practice. Burke pleaded not guilty to the charge and the trial was set for September 1. On that date Burke will be brought to trial on the charge of attempting to end the lives of Louella Smith and her infant while sleeping in a tent house on the grounds of the Burke sanitarium.

GIFT OF MRS. TAFT WILL BE SOLD FOR RELIGION

By Associated Press.
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., May 2.—Mrs. Taft's annual contribution to the Presbyterian church fair here, a filmy lace handkerchief, has just been received and will be sold to the highest bidder next week. Seven advance bids are already in the hands of the committee, indicating that the white house gift will bring more than 100 times its weight in gold.

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